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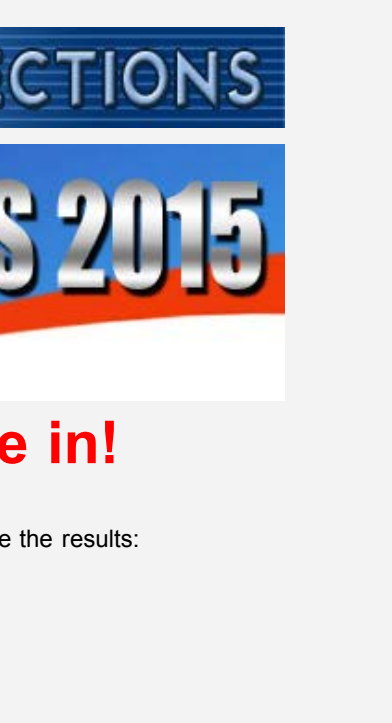
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Thoughts from the Superintendent



It seems as if there is so much good stuff going on with our Division that it is as if Christmas has been continued!

Firstly, last we, the Northern Utah Division, have signed a contract with the South Towne Expo Center to host our annual November division train show. We have outgrown the Fairpark and this venue will provide many advantages for us. We look forward to another great show next November.



Secondly, we have entered into an agreement with the Children's Museum at Gateway to restore an HO layout which will be used for advertising. We also will move our monthly Events to the Museum where we will be able to paint, etc as well as expose the kids and general public to model railroading. We view this move as a huge step forward for the Division.

Lastly, we completed our annual elections. See the results else where in the newsletter.

A last item of general interest is a Northern Utah Division/NMRA golf shirt. The shirt will be beige in color and will have a pocket. The logo will be embroidered on the left side of the shirt front. I anticipate purchasing them from Ruth who is a long time exhibitor at the train show. My estimate is that the cost will be in the \$25. range. I will be discussing the final details for the shirts with Ruth at the OTW Show this Saturday. If you want one get to me ASAP. (jack.r.chase@gmail.com or Tel: 801-323-1148, cell: 801-231-9614)

Happy New Year to all of You. Let's make 2016 the year of the Northern Utah Division.

Those are my thoughts. What are yours? I'd love to hear from you!

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2015 Election News



The Election Results are in!

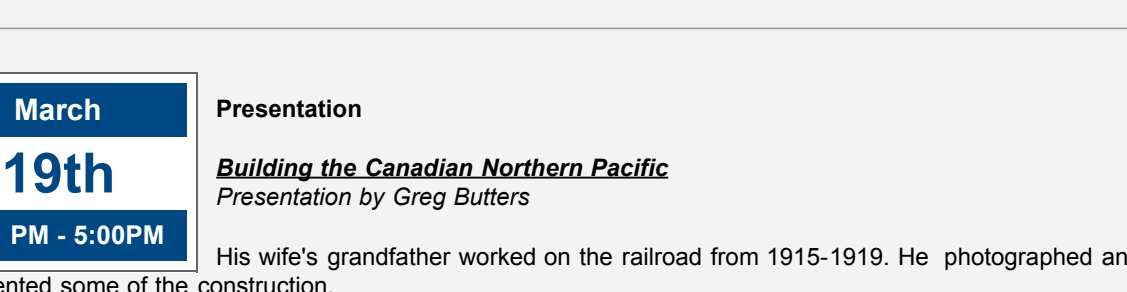
The votes were finalized during the monthly event and here are the results:

- Assistant Superintendent**
Fred Barney
- Treasurer**
Stan Jennings
- Board Members**
Jim Wanlass
Blaine Holbrook

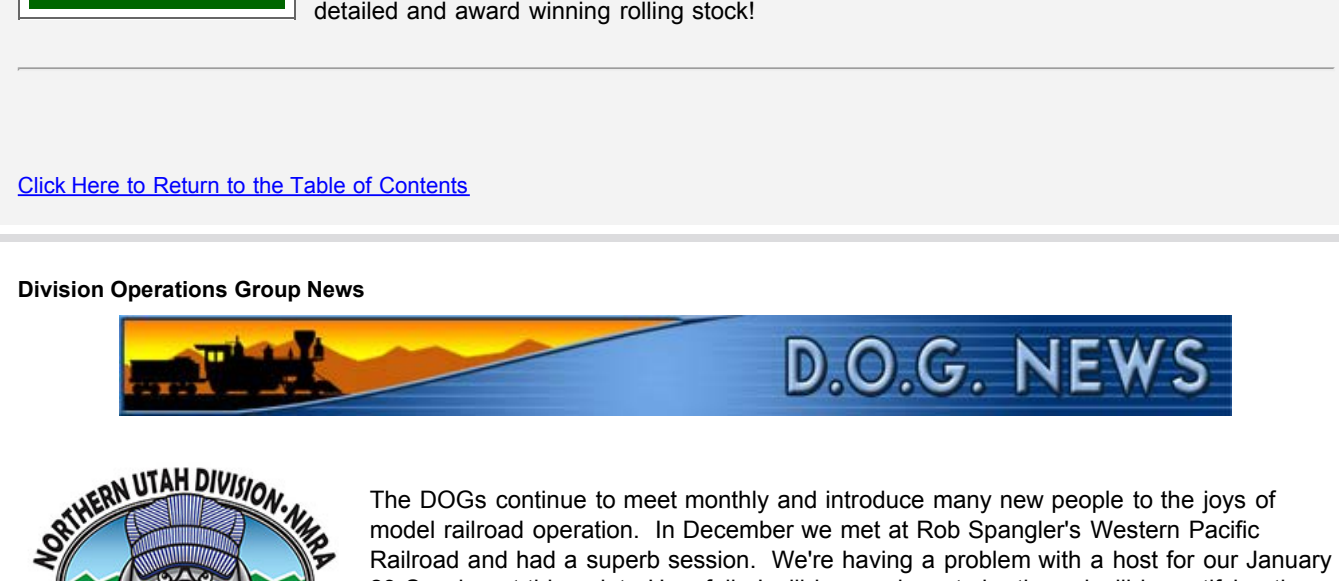
It was a very close race for all positions. Thanks to all who voted. The on-line system worked very well and from what I've heard, a record number of people voted this time!

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What Happened Last Month

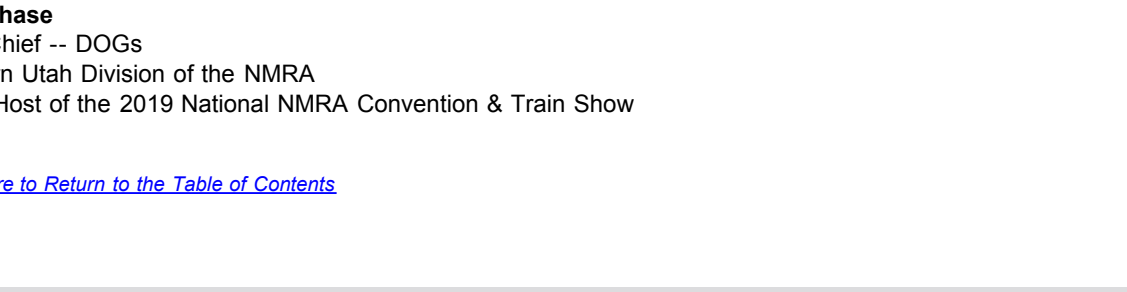


The December 18th, 2015 event of the Northern Utah Division featured a presentation by Jim Wanlass on the Introduction to Mold Making and Casting. We learned all about the techniques for making molds and casting parts from those molds. In the first part of the presentation, Jim explained the mold making process and how to use "off-the-shelf" products to create a mold. The second part explained how to cast parts from your newly created molds. Watch the Northern Utah Division website to download the presentation notes. A special "thanks" to Blaine Holbrook for allowing us to occupy his wonderful workshop again.



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Learn Something New



- January**
16th
3:00 PM - 5:00PM

Presentation
Cool Tools, Tips and Tricks
Presented by Rick Luther

Learn a whole lot of tricks that you can make from everyday items that can save you money. Includes tips and tricks to make your modeling work much easier. All attendees will receive a free "Universal Modeling Tool". We will also have a "Bring and Share" your favorite tool or tip discussion.

PLEASE NOTE: We will meet at the OTW's Train Show at Thanksgiving Point. The address is: 3003 Thanksgiving Way in Lehi. From the north I-15 take Exit 284 or from the south take Exit 282. Enjoy the show and attend our event!
- February**
20th
3:00 PM - 5:00PM

Presentation & Workshop
Quick and Easy Trees
Workshop by Karin Gerald

PLEASE NOTE: We will be back at the normal meeting location at Jordan Valley Medical Center, West Valley Campus.
- March**
19th
3:00 PM - 5:00PM

Presentation
Building the Canadian Northern Pacific
Presentation by Greg Butters

His wife's grandfather worked on the railroad from 1915-1919. He photographed and documented some of the construction.
- April**
16th
3:00 PM - 5:00PM

Presentation
Scratch Building Rolling Stock
Presented by Al Badham

Learn from one of Utah's master model builders the techniques for building beautiful, fine detailed and award winning rolling stock!

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Division Operations Group News



The DOGs continue to meet monthly and introduce many new people to the joys of model railroad operation. In December we met at Rob Spangler's Western Pacific Railroad and had a superb session. We're having a problem with a host for our January 23 Session at this point. Hopefully I will have a layout shanty and will be notifying the Crew Pool.

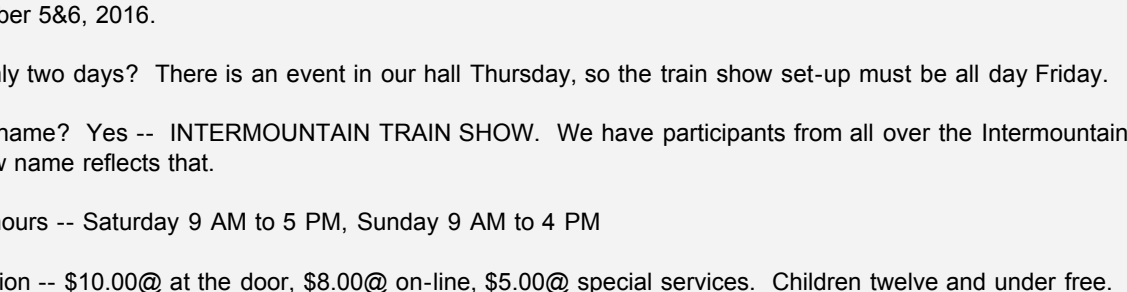
If you have even the slightest interest in operating a model railroad, I encourage you to get your name to me so you can be added to the roster. (jack.r.chase@gmail.com or Tel: 801-323-1148, cell: 801-231-9614). We work with new people and turn them into competent operators. And--we are kind about it!

Regards,

Jack Chase
Crew Chief -- DOGs
Northern Utah Division of the NMRA
Proud Host of the 2019 National NMRA Convention & Train Show

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Layout Tours

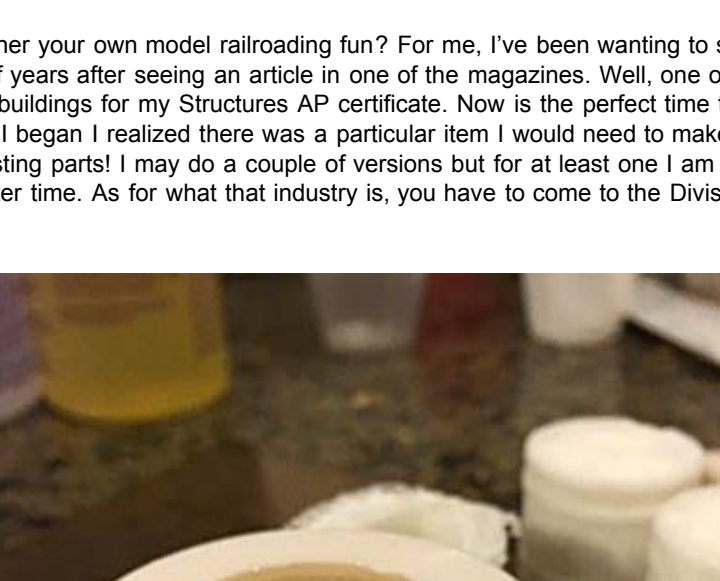


Friday January 15, 2016
3 PM TO 9 PM

Saturday January 16, 2016
10 AM TO 3 PM

OT&W Model Railroad Club
25th Anniversary Train Show
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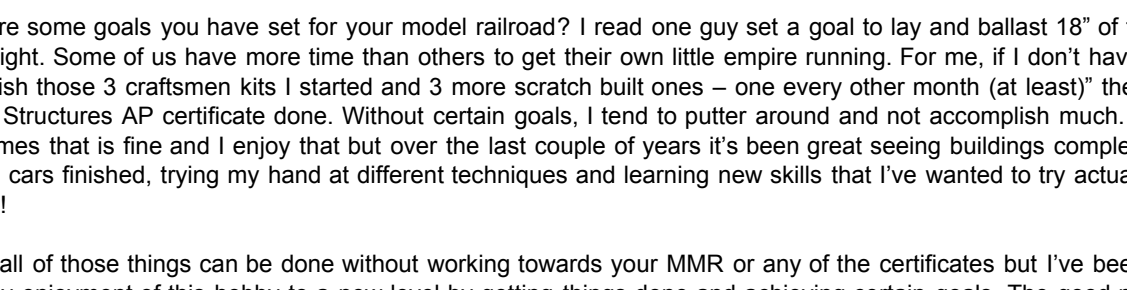
This month's layout tour will be to enjoy all the layouts at this year's OT&W Train Show on Friday and Saturday. Be sure and attend the Division event at the show on Saturday from 3 PM to 5 PM!



For more information, contact Pete Harmon at pharmon@bestweb.net or at 914-319-0430.

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Ophir, Tropic & Western Model Railroad Club



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

We are proud to announce our 25th Annual Train Show at Thanksgivingpoint! Awesome Family Fun with Model Railroading!

ANNOUNCING THE 25TH ANNUAL TRAIN SHOW

AMERICAN FAMILY FUN WITH MODEL RAILROADING!

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In the 'SHOW HALL'

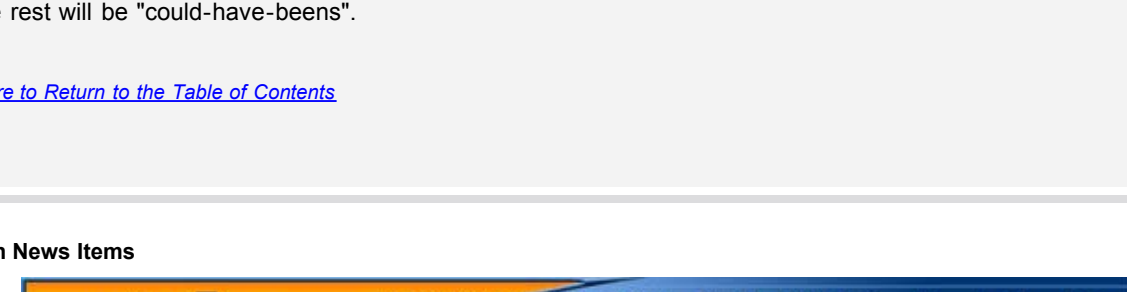
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From the north I-15 take Exit 284 or from south Exit 282

Adults: \$6.00, Children 10 & Under - Free!!!

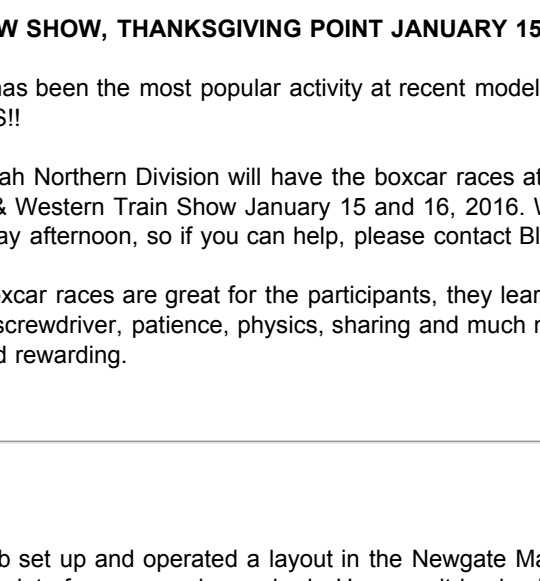
In honor of our sponsors:
Dave Turner 801-560-3376
Larry Carter 801-971-3179

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Intermountain Train Expo



NEW NAME! - NEW LOCATION!



It is truly official, we signed the contract Wednesday January 6, 2015.

The annual Northern Utah Division train show will be at South Towne Expo Center, 9575 State Street, Sandy, Utah November 5&6, 2016.

A why only two days? - There is an event in our hall Thursday, so the train show set-up must be all day Friday. Director at Large, Northern Utah Division of the NMRA, will have participants from all over the Intermountain Region, the new name reflects that.

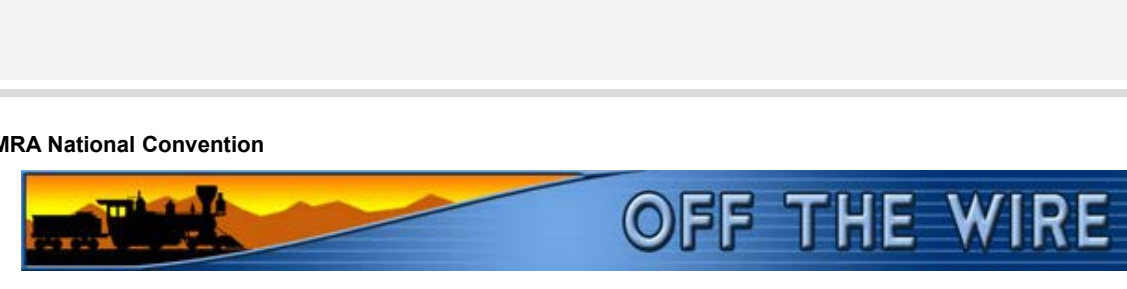
Show hours -- Saturday 9 AM to 5 PM, Sunday 9 AM to 4 PM

Admission -- \$10.00@ at the door, \$8.00@ on-line, \$5.00@ special services. Children twelve and under free. (Special services include military, police and fire personnel and their spouse.)

HELPI!! While some jobs will no longer be necessary because of the change in venue, others will require more, much more manpower. Please step forward and give us a hand.

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Achievement Program



It's that time of year again where people make New Years Resolutions. If we look at the word resolution we see it is "a firm decision to do or not to do something." I actually like that I could go both ways! I'm not one to make New Years Resolutions. I would rather set a goal and go for it at whatever time seems appropriate. Having said that, it is a good time to reflect on how things are going and what we can improve on. In my reflections I realize that as I am currently helping my son advance in the ranks towards his Eagle Scout, I am currently advancing in my "rank" towards Master Model Railroader. The earliest he could finish would be a year from now. As I look at what I have still to do, one year from now is a reasonable goal for me too. So here I am, "putting it out there."

One year from now I will have completed all that is needed for my MMRI!

What can you do to further your own model railroading? For me, I've been wanting to scratch build a particular industry for a number of years after seeing an article in one of the magazines. Well, to be honest, I don't have the time to scratch build 3 more buildings for my Structures AP certificate. Now is the perfect time to work on that industry I've wanted to get done. As I began I realized there was a particular item I would need to make about 20. I remembered I just gave a clinic on casting part I may do a couple of variations but for at least one I am trying a different technique. I think I may share at a later time. As for what that industry is, you have to come to the Division Event to find out. Here is a sneak peak though.



What are some goals you have set for your model railroad? I read one guy set a goal to lay and ballast 18' of track every night. Some of us have more time than others to get their own little empire running. For me, if I don't have time from Memorial Day to Labor Day. During the off-season, club members may meet for maintenance updates to the layout, as weather permits. Contact Cindy Messer by phone at: (801) 966-7411 or by email at: 512.Crockett.Drive@earthlink.net. The holidays can be an issue so if this does not work, we will move it to January and push construction to February.

We are in need of a place to work on this project. Scott's warehouse is not going to work due to excessive dust. Does anyone know of have a place for a 1X15' layout with storage for the equipment and if?

Please let me know in the next couple of days. 801-580-1459

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2019 NMRA National Convention



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Rocky Mountain Express

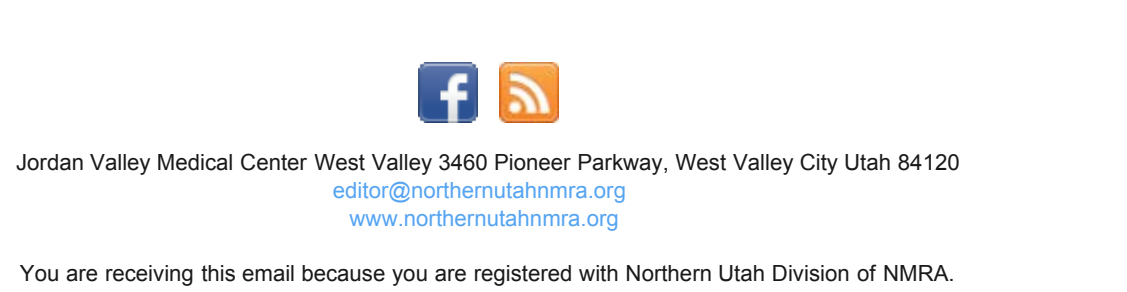
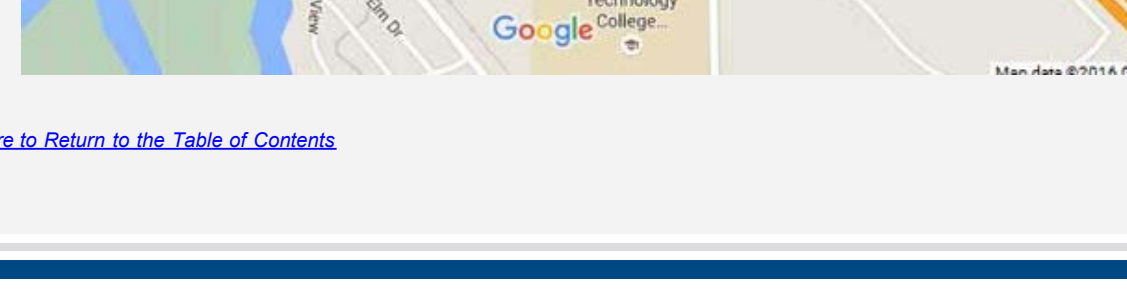
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Utah's Locomotive Historical Society (Golden Spike Chapter) -- An historically oriented group of researchers and preservationists, the Utah Locomotive Historical Society is dedicated to the preservation and display of the historic locomotives of the Utah Railway. The society is currently planning a visit scheduled in December if possible. The holidays can be an issue so if this does not work, we will move it to January and push construction to February.

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